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Survey of ERA Use of [REDACTED]

REF : Your Survey Guide, dated 19 May 1958, on the above subject

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1. The Materials Division is currently using [REDACTED] data as a check on estimated USSR production of motor vehicle tires at the various Soviet plants. The Soviets have released total production figures--for rubber tires for 1956 and 1957. Some link relatives for the production of tires at the individual plants are also available. D/M analysts have developed a methodology to estimate plant tire production from the available information. [REDACTED] data are subsequently used to check these D/M estimates.

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2. The use of [REDACTED] as an aid in estimating USSR aluminum, gold and tin production at specific plants is presently under study by analysts interested in these commodities. Although no specific use has been made to date, it is hoped that a suitable methodology, which uses [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] can be developed.

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